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In re Application of
Robert K. Riffie
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 1, 1999, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is GRANTED.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply to the Office action mailed June 22, 1998. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on January 28, 1999.

The statement of unintentional delay presented in the petition does not comply with the current rule. Effective December 1, 1997, 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional be submitted. However, the statement presented will be accepted and construed as meaning that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

The file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2700.

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